Terrorist activities following hanging of Kehar Singh and Satwant Singh

1001. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI BHAGAT RAM MANHAR:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the terrorist activities, indicating the number of casualties, following the hanging of Shri Kehar Singh and Shri Satwant Singh, involved in the murder of the former Prime Minister, Shrimati Indira Gandhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that in a number of cases the terrorists have hanged the victims to death; and

(c) what effective steps Government have taken to effectively curb these activities and to bring the culprits to book and with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) During the period 6th January, 1989 to 26th February, 1989, 169 persons have been killed in 110 incidents of murder shoot-out by terrorists in Punjab. The deceased include 12 persons who were hanged to death.

(c) The steps taken to curb terrorism in Punjab include erection of fence in the most vulnerable stretches of border, strengthening of security forces and supply of modern weapons and equipment to them to detect intruders/border crossers, strict checking of passengers at the border, creation of additional police districts, conducting of raids on the hide-outs of terrorists to arrest them and their harbourers and to flush out illicit arms and ammunition, setting up of village protection force pickets and involvement of ex-servicemen and villagers in Village Protection Groups.

As a result of action taken by security forces 63 terrorists have been killed in encounters and 339 arrested during the period 7th January, 1989 to 26th February, 1989.

Arrest of proclaimed terrorists

1002. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of proclaimed terrorists have been arrested during the last three months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether some of them have escaped from custody; if so, under what circumstances; and

(d) whether some of the terrorists were killed in encounters; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Development of National Parks

1003. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRON-